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he can explain it to me better than what he has, why I might be able to go along with them.

PRESIDENT: Senator Kelly.

SENATOR KELLY: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I just want to emphasize the two points. The one that Senator Nichol makes is that this bill does have merit because it is protection for taxpayers. They go by very seldom but here is one that is going by. Let's support that idea. The other one is to emphasize Senator Kennedy's point that this is not a broad bill any longer. It is strictly for medical assistance and has nothing to do with other forms of welfare. The objections that Senator Cavanaugh and Senator Fowler are making are the ones that would be made against the original bill and they made these in Committee and the Committee adopted this amendment and the floor has now adopted it, so that it is not a broad based bill. It is strictly for medical reimbursement.

PRESIDENT: Senator Maresh.

SENATOR MARESH: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I voted to advance the bill and I think that Senator Nichol brought out a good point about somebody collecting a big insurance settlement and that the public should not bear the expense of the medical expenses and I think if we do not kill this bill, we should amend it to specify this applies to insurance claims and then I think that would take the objection of people like Senator Keyes, that it could be payments made by children to the aged parents or some sort of an arrangement like that. I oppose the kill motion.

PRESIDENT: Senator Cavanaugh, are you ready to close debate by way of response?

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: Well, I have the same objections. I don't understand the bill and I don't think these people understand the bill. They certainly haven't explained it. It says shall include every claim or right which the applicant may have against a third party. Now that's an awful broad situation and I just don't...I don't think that that's what the Welfare Department wants and I think that it is going to cause tremendous problems and they were not willing to work it out with me. The Committee, at the time... you'll notice I was not voting and at the time that we... the bill was advanced, we had a committee session over here and I was late to present a bill and we had already discussed the bill and they had mentioned that they would pass over it until we'd have an opportunity to explore it further and I leave the caucus and five minutes later they pass the bill out. So, this Committee does not understand the bill. They can't explain it to you. I can't explain it to you. I understand what the Welfare Department wants but that isn't what this bill does. They want, when a person is reimbursed for medical payments that they have made, they want to have some right of recourse there and they probably should but that isn't what this bill does and these people aren't willing to write a decent bill. Now, I don't understand why but you are just...you are creating a chaotic situation in the law. If you want to go ahead and do that, that's the